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Addendum

C. Implementation in areas requiring urgent action

3. Means of implementation

1. The Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole considered paragraph 104 of the proposed outcome of the special session (A/S-19/14-E/1997/60, chap. I.B) at its ___th meeting, on ___ June 1997.

2. At the same meeting, the Committee approved the following amendment and recommended the paragraph to the General Assembly for adoption, as amended:

Paragraph 104 was revised to read:

"104. Environmental impact assessments (EIAs) are an important national tool for sustainable development. In accordance with principle 17 of the Rio Declaration, EIAs shall be undertaken for proposed activities that are likely to have a significant adverse impact on the environment and are subject to a decision of a competent national authority and, where appropriate, they shall be made available early in the project cycle."

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